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REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-13, 15-18, and 20-23 have been amended, claims 14 and 19 have been cancelled, and claims 26-28 have been added. Figure 4B has been added. Support for Figure 4B is found in the specification in paragraph 22. An additional sheet is included with this amendment including new figure 4B.

Examination of the application is requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C. \$18.00 for an additional dependent claim. No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAIL

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